

26. (Amended) The method of any of claims 1 and 3-6, further comprising administering one or more of an anticoagulant, an antiplatelet agent, a thrombin inhibitor, and/or a thrombolytic agent.

27. (Amended) The method of any of claims 1 and 3-6, further comprising performing vascular surgery.

31. (Amended) The method of any of claims 3-6 ~~claim 29~~, wherein treatment of the patient with the hedgehog polypeptide ~~pte~~ therapeutic results in at least a 70% reduction in cerebral infarct volumes relative to absence of treatment with the hedgehog polypeptide ~~pte~~ therapeutic.

#### **REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3-6, 18-23, 25-28, 31, and 38 constitute the pending claims in the present application. This response merely corrects the presentation of claim amendments provided in the response filed January 14, 2002. Also included are the Exhibits inadvertently omitted from the previous response. As that response was fully responsive to the Office Action, Applicants do not believe that any further fee is due at this time. Nevertheless, should an extension of time be required, Applicants hereby petition for same and request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this submission be charged to **Deposit Account No. 18-1945**.

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